

EXHIBIT J

California Department of Motor Vehicles Correspondence Regarding Autonomous Driving

DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

REGISTRATION OPERATIONS DIVISION

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March 6, 2020

Mr. Al Prescott
Tesla, Inc.
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Dear Mr. Prescott:

On November 1, 2019, Tesla representatives demonstrated the Smart Summon feature for the California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV). During the demonstration, the DMV made the following observations:

1. The vehicle did not recognize a stop sign and proceeded without stopping.
2. The vehicle drove onto a soft curb and stopped at an awkward angle blocking lane access for other vehicles.
3. When summoned to a location requiring the vehicle travel on a public road, the system continued toward the intended location and stopped prior to entering the public road, effectively blocking other vehicles.

Many parking lots have features identical to those at the DMV, which raises concerns about the capabilities and operation of the Smart Summon feature. Please provide a written response addressing the Department's concerns with the operation of the Smart Summon feature no later than March 20, 2020.

In addition, the Department strongly encourages Tesla to provide clear and effective communication to Tesla owners accurately describing the technology's capabilities and its intended use and the importance of maintaining line of sight with the vehicle and actively monitoring the vehicle while using Smart Summon.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (916) 657-9735.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Miguel Acosta'.

MIGUEL ACOSTA, Chief
Autonomous Vehicles Branch

From: Bisnett, Emily J.@DMV Emily.Bisnett@dmv.ca.gov
Subject: RE: Response to Public Records Act Request
Date: June 3, 2020 at 10:45 AM
To: aaron.greenspan@plainsite.org

Good morning,

Your follow-up inquiry regarding emails “involving so-called ‘robotaxis’ (with or without a hyphen)” was forwarded to me. Mr. Acosta has no such emails.

Regards,

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